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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Yoshinori OJIMA, et al.

Group Art Unit: 2834

Serial No.: 09/633,139

Examiner: LAM, T.

Filed: August 4, 2000

P.T.O. Confirmation No. 1366

For: **GAS TRANSFER MACHINE**

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: December 3, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 5, 2002, please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

✓ Please **CANCEL** claims 2 and 3 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please **AMEND** the claims as follows:

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1. (Three Times Amended) A gas transfer machine for transferring a gas including a corrosive gas,
comprising:
- 3 a pump rotor mounted on a rotatable shaft for transferring the gas including a corrosive gas;
- 4 a reluctance-type motor for rotating said rotatable shaft about its own axis directly coupled thereto,
- 5 said pump rotor and said motor being disposed in a housing;